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WIFA Chairman Steve Owens Announces \$10,500 Grant to Town of Springerville for Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade

PHOENIX – Water Infrastructure Finance Authority (WIFA) Chairman Steve Owens announced today the award of a \$10,5000 technical assistance grant to the Town of Springerville for the development of its Wastewater Treatment Plant Maintenance Improvements project.

“This grant will help Springerville design some needed improvements to its wastewater treatment plant,” said Chairman Owens, who is also the Director of the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality. “We are pleased to assist the town with this important project.”

The grant serves the first part of a three-phase modification of the town’s wastewater treatment plant. A temporary holding pond will be designed to hold raw sewage allowing the oxidation ditch to be shut down for maintenance.

“The temporary pond will allow repairs to be made to the ditch before the current cracks and wear produce a serious break in the current system,” said WIFA Executive Director Jay Spector.

The Town of Springerville will contribute a local match of \$10,500 toward the project.

WIFA provided Springerville with a \$180,000 loan in 1997 and a \$12,300 loan in 2002.

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ABOUT THE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY OF ARIZONA

The Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona maintains and improves water quality in Arizona by providing communities and private water systems with access to low-interest financial assistance and technical assistance needed for basic water infrastructure. WIFA's funds are capitalized by contributions from the US Congress and the state of Arizona. As a leader in water infrastructure finance, WIFA has become a premier financial institution both in Arizona and nationally. Visit WIFA’s Web site at www.azwifa.gov.